## Nevada State Health Division Newborn Hearing Screening Program

## Fact Sheet

- Hearing loss is the most common birth defect.
- In Nevada as many as 600 babies are born with a hearing loss each year.
- Hearing loss is invisible and without a hearing test you may not know your baby can't hear.
- Without a hearing test most babies with a hearing loss fall behind in learning how to talk.
- Children with a hearing loss in one ear are 10 times more likely to be held back at least one grade.
- If found and treated early a hearing loss may not cause any problems with your baby's development.

Early Intervention Services are available to all babies in Nevada. Talk with your doctor or call Early Intervention Services in your area.

## Nevada Early Intervention Services (NEIS)

NEIS Southern Region	Phone: (702) 486-7670
NEIS Northwest Region	Phone: (775) 688-1341
NFIS Northeast Region	Phone: (775) 753-1214